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Food and Agricultural Import Regulations and Standards - Certification

FAIRS Export Certificate Report

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Report Highlights:

This report provides guidelines regarding required certificate by the Qatar Supreme Council of Health and other related agencies, for imports of food and agricultural products. U.S. exporters are required to work closely with their Qatari importers to confirm the information provided in this report.

Section I. List of All Export Certificates Required By Government (Matrix):

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SECTION I: REQUIRED EXPORT CERTIFICATES

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Products	Title of Certificate	Attestation Required On	Purpose	Ministry
Dry pea, lentil, Rice, pulses, seeds,	Animal & Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS)	Certificate This is to certify that the plant(s) products described	1) Pest and insect free confirmation	1) Agriculture
fresh fruits, Vegetables, Live plants	Phytosanitary Certificate	above: -have been inspected according to appropriate procedures, and -are considered to be free from quarantine pests/insects particularly free from other injurious pests, and -are considered to conform to Phytosanitary regulations of the importing contracting party	2)MRL	2) Public Health Authority
All products	Country of Origin Certificate	The goods are of "xxx" origin	Country of origin confirmation	Customs Authority
All products Except meat And poultry And products	Health Certificate	The goods have been prepared and shipped under sanitary conditions, do not contain harmful ingredients, and are fit for human	Health fitness Certificate	Public Health Authority

		consumption.		
Meat & Poultry Products	Food Safety Inspection Service (FSIS) Export Certificate	Animals were slaughtered and processed in accordance with U.S. health regulations	Product produced under hygienic conditions	Public Health Authority
Meat & Poultry Products	Halal Slaughter Certificate	Animals were slaughtered in accordance with Islamic/Sharia laws & requirements	Product produced in accordance with Sharia Law confirmation	Public Health Department

1/ required for products originating from Europe only

Note: Products originating from the U.S. are exempt from this certification requirement.

Section II. Purpose of Specific Export Certificate(s)

See Section I above.

Section III. Specific Attestations Required on Export Certificate(s)

- Halal slaughter, health and country of origin certificates as well as the invoice need to be notarized by the Qatar Embassy or Consulate (or any other Arab Embassy or Consulate in the absence of the Qatar Embassy) in the United States. If not notarized at the country or origin, the invoice may be notarized locally by the importers at the Finance Dept. in Qatar;
- If certificates are not notarized, the importer will pay a fine but will be allowed to release the shipment.
- See Appendix for certificate samples.

Section IV. Government Certificate's Legal Entry Requirements

- Original certificates must accompany shipment at the time of entry. Sometimes importers are allowed to have the
 documents sent to their banks.
- Certificates are used for only the accompanying shipment since they carry the details of the shipments.
- U.S. State- issued export or health certificates are acceptable
- Modification to any certificate is not permitted once issued and shipped with the product.

Section V. Other Certification/Accreditation Requirements

• Original invoice, bill of lading and packing list are required to accompany the above-referenced certificates to meet documentation requirements of the Customs Authority for the release of the shipment.

Appendix I. Electronic Copy or Outline of Each Export Certificate

Appendix A

The following are "samples" of certificates outlined in Section I that are accepted by Qatar officials. The standardized export health certificates issued by FSIS and APHIS are not repeated here.

Note: At present Qatar does not require a specific format for any certificate. Qatar seeks only the information provided therein with authentication by the Qatar Embassy/Consulate.

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FOOD AND DRUG UNIT

HEALTH CERTIFICATE

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